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Economic Development Update

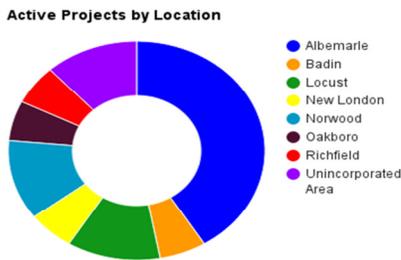
Active Projects – The current number of projects with activity in the past six (6) months is sixteen (16). There were no new active projects in the past 30 days.

The EDC actively met or provided follow-up information to five (5) of the sixteen (16) active projects in the past 30 days (31%).

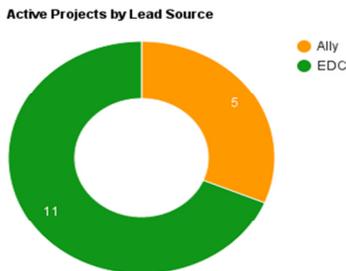
The EDC staff responded to five (5) requests for information (RFI) in the past 30 days. Five (5) of the leads were generated by the NC Economic Development Partnership. The other lead was generated by the Charlotte Regional Partnership. The County did not meet the minimum response criteria for one (1) suspect call center project during the past 30 days.

There were a total of two (2) existing industry visits in the past 30 days.

Active Projects – Locations Being Considered

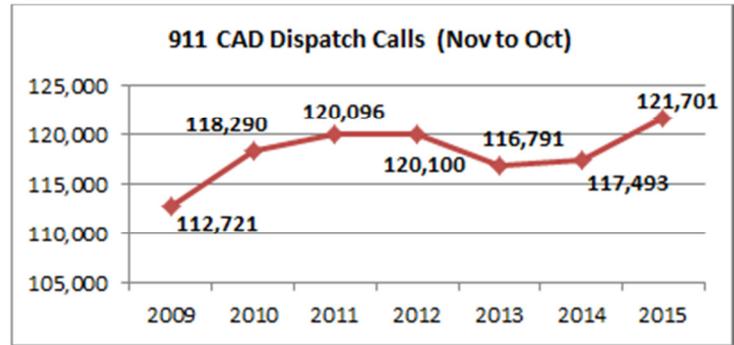


Active Projects – Lead Source



911 Call Volume Analysis

911 call volume has slowly increased over the past six (6) fiscal years. Since 2009, call volume is up 8%. This figure represents approximately 8,900 additional calls per year (24 more calls per day or 1 call per hour). A graph of the call volume by year is below:



Despite the gradual increase in call volume, the 911 staff has continued to exceed national benchmarks with respect to emergency telecommunication outcomes. For example, the national standard for answering 911 calls is 90% within 10 seconds or less. The Stanly County 911 Center has maintained an average of 94.8% to date in FY 15-16. This figure is slightly higher than the 93.8% average in FY 14-15.

Implementation of the new emergency radio system will likely create additional demand for 911 resources as field personnel now have the radio capacity to more readily talk with 911 dispatchers and other field personnel.

Management will continue to monitor call volume, outcomes and requests from field personnel in order to make informed staffing recommendations during the FY 16-17 budget development process.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Thanksgiving Holiday

November 26-27
County Offices Closed